

World Meeting with the General Father in 2010

The "Universidad Iberoamericana" of Mexico City will host the World Meeting of the General Father and the Presidents from the Society of Jesus' universities, which will be held in 2010. The decision was made during the meeting of the International Committee of Jesuit Higher Education (ICJHE). It was attended by Luis Ugalde SJ AUSJAL President who represented AUSJAL; Charles Currie SJ, Vincent Braganza SJ, Joel Tabora SJ, José Ramón Busto SJ e Insagu Mwana-Mfumu SJ, who are representatives of North America, Southern Asia, Eastern Asia, Europe and Africa respectively; and Paul Locatelli Higher- Education Secretary from the Society of Jesus.

«Shaping the Future: Jesuit Higher Education in the Globalizing World» is the title for the meeting of the General Father, the Universities' Presidents, and a secular representative from all the institutions worldwide of the Society of Jesus. The new context of globalization and humanization as well as the Identity and Mission will be the focus points for this first approach of the General Father Aldofo Nicolas and the Jesuit Presidents.

Diploma on Human Rights in April

The next edition of the Diploma on Human Rights from AUSJAL and the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights is expected to start in April 2009. The Diploma's regional coordinators Claudia Caballeros (Guatemala), Mauricio Solano (Colombia), Fabio Abreu (Santo Domingo), Lucia Montiel (Mexico), Mariella Saettone, Alipio Nahui (Uruguay) met in Montevideo along with Ana Maria Rodino (IIDH) and Susana Di Trolio (AUSJAL) to evaluate the previous 195-students edition which represents an increase of 15% compared to 2006.

It is important to point out the presence of a higher women's percentage among the scholarship holders as well as the increase in the concentration area of Human Rights Education. This is also the area that receives the highest registration of students from different disciplines. A total of 139 students (71.2 %) received scholarships for this edition due to the support of the Canadian Agency for International Cooperation through the REDLEIDH Project.

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Eduardo Casarotti sj and Cecilia Zaffaroni from the "Universidad Católica de Uruguay", Ricardo Carbone from the "Universidad Alberto Hurtado" (Chile) along with the representatives for University Social Responsibility of the University-Media Vice Presidency from the "Universidad Católica de Córdoba" met to discuss the final version of the conceptual and methodological framework for the AUSJAL System of Auto-Evaluation and Management on University Social Responsibility. This is part of the AUSJAL Institutional Strengthening Project for University Social Responsibility.

The meeting was held at the same time that the "Universidad Católica de Córdoba" received the award «2008 Solidarity Educative Practice in Higher Education» from the Argentinean government.



Merry Christmas



The AUSJAL's Executive Secretariat and Presidency wish you Merry Christmas. May the year 2009 be full of health, peace and prosperity for your families and beloved.

REDLEIDH Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Latin American Network of Studies and Research on Human Rights met in Canada to analyze the project's execution where AUSJAL, the Center of Legal and Social Studies (Argentina), the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (IIDH), the Latin American Institute of Alternative Legal Services (Colombia) and the York Universities (Canada) take part. The outstanding issues from this meeting include the approval of US\$ 72,000 for a scholarship fund that will benefit the Diploma on Human Rights during 2009; the strengthening of masters' degrees on Human Rights from the three AUSJAL universities; and programming a Second International Meeting of University's and NGOs' Legal Advisers.

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